



EUROPEAN COMMISSION

PROTECTION OF YOUR PERSONAL DATA

This privacy statement provides information about the processing and the protection of your personal data.

Processing operation: JRC live, hybrid and digital events, seminars, workshops, conferences, meetings, open/celebration/information days with or without outside participants

Data Controller: European Commission, *JOINT RESEARCH CENTRE, Scientific Development Programmes Unit, S.4*

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1. Introduction

The European Commission is committed to protect your personal data and to respect your privacy. The Commission collects and further processes personal data pursuant to [Regulation \(EU\) 2018/1725](#) of the European Parliament and of the Council on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data by the Union institutions, bodies, offices and agencies and on the free movement of such data.

This privacy statement explains the reason for the processing of your personal data in the context of the event: *“The Power of NLP: Uncovering Insights in Social and Political Research”*. It explains the way we collect, handle and ensure protection of all personal data provided, how that information is used and what rights you have in relation to your personal data. It also specifies the contact details of the responsible Data Controller with whom you may exercise your rights, the Data Protection Officer and the European Data Protection Supervisor.

The information in relation to the *“The Power of NLP: Uncovering Insights in Social and Political Research”* undertaken by the *Joint Research Centre* of the European Commission, is presented below.

- Event organised by the JRC – fully online

- Personal data are published on a publicly available website.

- Reports (including a presence list) is not shared between participants and organisations.

2. Why and how do we process your personal data?

Purpose of the processing operation: *The European Commission* collects and further processes your personal data to provide you with information about the event: *“The Power of NLP: Uncovering Insights in Social and Political Research”* (before, during and after) and to process your application for participation in that event.

The fully remote event will be held through Webex (link provided upon request) and will be web-streamed live via the streaming service of the European Commission (<https://webcast.ec.europa.eu/>). An audio-visual recording of the event will take place and be published in the context of the event.

For participants who do not wish to be recorded, a public web-streaming link (different from Webex) will be made available, leading to a webstreaming page created specifically for such users. Their personal data will not be recorded. Queries to the speakers can still be made by these participants via the Sli.do tool.

Your personal data will not be used for any automated decision-making including profiling.

For platforms and tools used to organise and manage digital events, the following records will apply:

Webex platform: Service de Web Conference (Webex), DPR-EC-05006

Sli.do - Audience Interaction Software, DPR-EC-06687

Web-streaming of Commission events, DPR-EC-00306.1

3. On what legal ground(s) do we process your personal data?

The processing operations on personal data, linked to the organisation, management, follow-up and promotion of this event (including web-streaming and audio-visual recording) are necessary for the management and functioning of the Commission, as mandated by the Treaties, in particular, Article 11 of the Treaty on European Union and Article 15 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union. Furthermore, the purpose of this event is to promote the impact of research on policy-making and address the Commission's objective of implementing information and communication actions relating to its research objectives under Horizon Europe, as specified under article 51 of the Regulation (EU) 2021/695 of 28 April 2021 establishing Horizon Europe – the Framework Programme for Research and Innovation, laying down its rules for participation and dissemination, and repealing Regulations (EU) No 1290/2013 and (EU) No 1291/2013, in particular the activities of the project 'Computational Social Science for Policy (CSS4P), part of the Centre for Advanced Studies (CAS) and of Portfolio 33 'Innovative policymaking in a complex world', as well as the mandate of Unit S.4 Scientific Development Programmes of the Joint Research Centre of the European Commission.

Consequently, those processing operations are lawful under Article 5(1)(a) of Regulation (EU) 2018/1725 (processing is necessary for the performance of a task carried out in the public interest or in the exercise of official authority vested in the Union institution or body).

In addition, we will process the following personal data based on your consent, which is required for:

- ✓ the publication of the speaker's personal data **on a publicly available website or printed** to illustrate communication material, photo albums and/or videos.
- ✓ The publication of the speaker's personal data **on JRC social media accounts**.

If you opt-in, you are giving us your explicit consent under Article 5(1)(d) of Regulation (EU) 2018/1725 to process your personal data for those specific purposes. You can give your consent via a clear affirmative act by ticking the box(es) on the attached consent form.

Your consent for these services can be withdrawn at any time:

- to withdraw the consent that you have provided, please contact the controller of the meeting/event at JRC-CAS-CSS4P@ec.europa.eu.

4. Which personal data do we collect and further process?

The following personal data will be processed:

- For the speaker: Name, Surname, title, name of organisation represented, biography, profile picture and link to personal website. Minutes, reports, PowerPoint presentations or relevant documentation used during meetings can be collected and shared with meeting participants.

- For the audience: Name, Surname, e-mail address (for participants who choose to join via Webex).
- Live web-streaming and/or audio and video recording of speakers and participants can be registered and published and/or shared in the framework of JRC activities.
- In some cases, third party IT tools, including Social Media (Twitter and LinkedIn) could be used to promote the event.
- For digital events, the data protection records for the relevant tools and platforms apply.

5. How long do we keep your personal data?

The Data Controller only keeps your personal data for the time necessary to fulfil the purpose of collection or further processing.

For each of the categories of personal data that is processed, please find below the retention details and the reference to the relevant record of processing:

- ✓ All personal data related to the organisation and management of the event (this includes the information given during the registration, before, during or after the event) will be deleted **two years** after the last action in relation to the event.
- ✓ Recordings from the web-streamed event will be kept for **2 years** before being deleted. More information is available in the Record of Processing DPR-EC-00306 (Web-streaming of Commission events).event

6. How do we protect and safeguard your personal data?

All personal data in electronic format (e-mails, documents, databases, uploaded batches of data, etc.) are stored on the servers of the European Commission. All processing operations are carried out pursuant to [Commission Decision \(EU, Euratom\) 2017/46](#) of 10 January 2017 on the security of communication and information systems in the European Commission.

In order to protect your personal data, the Commission has put in place a number of technical and organisational measures. Technical measures include appropriate actions to address online security, risk of data loss, alteration of data or unauthorised access, taking into consideration the risk presented by the processing and the nature of the personal data being processed. Organisational measures include restricting access to the personal data solely to authorised persons with a legitimate need to know for the purposes of this processing operation.

7. Who has access to your personal data and to whom is it disclosed?

Access to your personal data is provided to the Commission staff responsible for carrying out this processing operation and to other authorised Commission staff according to the “need to know” principle. Such staff abide by statutory, and when required, additional confidentiality agreements.

When explicitly agreed by you, some of your personal data will be published on a publicly available website, printed or on JRC social media accounts to illustrate communication material, photo albums, and others. The photographs/videos could be shared with and used by the participants of the event in order to illustrate or promote the activities or projects, past, present or future, of the European institutions and the European Union.

For digital events, the privacy statements of the platforms and tools used to organise and manage the event, apply.

8. Cookies

Cookies are short text files stored on a user's device (such as a computer, tablet or phone) by a website. Cookies are used for the technical functioning of a website (functional cookies) or for gathering statistics (analytical cookies).

When you visit the website(s) of our event, we will keep the browser history of your visit for a maximum of 1 year according to Record "DPR-EC-00406 E-services on JRC websites". In context of investigations of security incidents the data could be further processed following notification

Cookies are stored by Europa Analytics, the corporate service which measures the effectiveness and efficiency of the European Commission's websites on EUROPA. More information is available in the Record of Processing DPR-EC-00685 (Europa Analytics).

Enabling these cookies is not strictly necessary for the website to work but it will provide you with a better browsing experience. You can delete or block these cookies, but if you do that, some features of the meeting/event website may not work as intended.

The cookie-related information is not used to identify data subjects personally and the pattern data is fully under the Commission's control. These cookies are not used for any purpose other than those described here.

Should you wish to opt your personal data out of our anonymised, aggregated statistics, you can do so on our cookies page. In particular, you can control and/or delete those cookies as you wish.

8. Third party IT tools, including Social Media

We use third party IT tools to inform about and promote the *JRC Corporate Events* through widely used communication channels, including social media. For detailed information about the use of social media by the European Commission, see the Record of Processing DPR-EC-00073 (Social Media Use by the European Commission).

You can watch our videos, which we also upload to our *JRC Social Media accounts*: [Twitter](#), [LinkedIn](#).

In order to protect your privacy, our use of third party IT tools to connect to those services does not set cookies when our website pages are loaded on your computer (or other devices), nor are you immediately redirected to those social media or other websites. Only in the event that you click on a button or "play" on a video to watch it, a cookie of the social media company concerned will be installed on your device. If you do not click on any social media buttons or videos, no cookies will be installed on your device by third parties.

In order to view such third-party content on our websites, a message will alert you that you need to accept those third parties' specific Terms and Conditions, including their cookie policies, over which the Commission has no control.

We recommend that users read the relevant privacy policies of [social media at the European Commission](#) carefully before using them. These explain each company's policy of personal data collection and further processing, their use of data, users' rights and the ways in which users can protect their privacy when using those services.

The use of a third party IT tool does not in any way imply that the European Commission endorses them or their privacy policies. In the event that one or more third party IT tools are occasionally unavailable, we accept no responsibility for lack of service due to their downtime.

9. International transfers

Please note that pursuant to Article 3(13) of Regulation (EU) 2018/1725 public authorities (e.g. Court of Auditors, EU Court of Justice) which may receive personal data in the framework of a particular inquiry in accordance with Union or Member State law shall not be regarded as recipients. The further processing of those data by those public authorities shall be in compliance with the applicable data protection rules according to the purposes of the processing.

The information we collect will not be given to any third party, except to the extent and for the purpose we may be required to do so by law.

10. What are your rights and how can you exercise them?

You have specific rights as a 'data subject' under Chapter III (Articles 14-25) of Regulation (EU) 2018/1725, in particular the right to access, your personal data and to rectify them in case your personal data are inaccurate or incomplete. Where applicable, you have the right to erase your personal data, to restrict the processing of your personal data, to object to the processing, and the right to data portability.

You have the right to object to the processing of your personal data, which is lawfully carried out pursuant to Article 5(1)(a) of Regulation (EU) 2018/1725 on grounds relating to your particular situation.

You have consented to provide your personal data to the data controller for the present processing operation. You can withdraw your consent at any time by sending an email to JRC-CAS-CSS4P@ec.europa.eu. The withdrawal of your consent will not affect the lawfulness of the processing carried out before you have withdrawn the consent.

You can exercise your rights by contacting the data controller, or in case of conflict the Data Protection Officer. If necessary, you can also address the European Data Protection Supervisor. Their contact information is given under Heading 12 below.

Where you wish to exercise your rights in the context of one or several specific processing operations, please provide their description (i.e. their Record reference(s) as specified under Heading 13 below) in your request.

12. Contact information

- The Data Controller

If you would like to exercise your rights under Regulation (EU) 2018/1725, or if you have comments, questions or concerns, or if you would like to submit a complaint regarding the collection and use of your personal data, please feel free to contact the Data Controller, *European Commission, JOINT RESEARCH CENTRE, Scientific Development Programmes Unit, JRC-CAS-CSS4P@ec.europa.eu*.

- The Data Protection Officer (DPO) of the Commission

You may contact the Data Protection Officer (DATA-PROTECTION-OFFICER@ec.europa.eu) with regard to issues related to the processing of your personal data under Regulation (EU) 2018/1725.

- The European Data Protection Supervisor (EDPS)

You have the right to have recourse (i.e. you can lodge a complaint) to the European Data Protection Supervisor (edps@edps.europa.eu) if you consider that your rights under Regulation (EU) 2018/1725 have been infringed as a result of the processing of your personal data by the data controller.

12. Where to find more detailed information?

The Commission Data Protection Officer (DPO) publishes the register of all processing operations on personal data by the European Commission, which have been documented and notified to him. You may access the register via the following link: <http://ec.europa.eu/dpo-register>.

This specific processing operation has been included in the DPO's public register with the following Record reference: DPR-EC-00407 - JRC events, seminars, workshops, conferences, meetings, open/celebration/information days with or without outside participants.